

FOOD SECRETARIAT

**H. Heads of Departments and Local Bodies not to issue fresh licenses for opening Hotels and Catering Establishments except with the express approval of the Director of Food Supplies.**

**CIRCULAR.**

ORDER No. S.D. 4654—R. 24-48-13, DATED BANGALORE, THE 11TH DECEMBER 1948.

The opening or licensing of new catering establishments is prohibited by the Mysore Food (Restriction of Service of Meals by Catering Establishment and Others) Order of 1946, issued under Notification No. S. D. 6887—15-61, dated the 26th March 1946 and further amended Notification No. S.D. 9270—R. 22-47, dated the 10th May 1947, except when exempted by the Director of Food Supplies in special cases.

As a few Municipalities granted fresh licenses for opening of hotels without due regard to the provisions of the Order, Government issued an Official Memorandum No. 18126-38—Ml. 163-47-1, dated 15th June 1948, in the which is reproduced below as it is self-explanatory :—

"It has been brought to the notice of the Government that the Municipalities have been issuing fresh licenses to hotels in contravention of the provisions of Clause 4 of the "Mysore Food (Restrictions of Service of Meals by Catering Establishments and Others) Order of 1946." The argument generally advanced for such licensing is the use by these hotels of only non-rationed articles without interference with the supply of essential and controlled commodities. Such an interpretation of the Order would provide scope for the cropping up of Coffee Bars, Milk Bars, etc., by a circumvention of the Rules, and their gradual transformation into full fledged restaurants, thus frustrating the very object with which these restrictions have been imposed.

"Moreover, in the altered conditions created by the decontrol of Paddy and Millets, there is likely to be an increase in the number of applications for the starting of new hotels. Experience has shown that the post-control period is not likely to be quite free from anxiety and calls for greater vigilance. Government, while repealing the Food Order of 1946, have therefore thought fit to retain Clause (4) of the said Order, continuing the prohibition of the opening or licensing of new catering establishments, the success of which depends upon the co-operation of the Municipal Authorities with the Department of Food.

"Government, therefore, issued by the Municipality of fresh hotels, restaurants or other catering establishments in consultation with the Local Authorities and other Officer authorized.

3. The Director of Food Supplies has observed that in late numerous cases have come before the Health Officers of Municipalities for the opening of new hotels, coffee bars and other catering establishments above instructions. The Municipality should be aware that they are within their powers under the provisions of the Municipalities Act, but unless the permission of the Government is obtained, the party opening a hotel is liable for prosecution for violation of the Mysore Food (Restriction of Service of Meals by Catering Establishment and Others) Order.

4. Government are therefore directing the Heads of Departments and Local Bodies to be aware of the necessity for refraining from opening new catering establishments without the express approval of the Director of Food Supplies.

EDUCATION SECRETARIAT

**Directs that in the case of appointments in Government service, the age limit be fixed at 40 years, as a General Rule.**

READ—

1. Letter No. 4311, dated 23rd Jan. 1948, from the Commissioner, stating that according to the provisions of the Mysore University Act, the ordinary age limit is extended to 40 years for the appointment of Mistresses of Kannada and Hindustani, requesting that the benefit of this extension be given to graduates for appointment as Mistresses.

2. Letter No. L. Dis. 8768-419, dated 11th Dec. 1948, from the Commissioner of Public Instruction, in the matter.

3. Letter No. A1. M. 128, dated 6th Dec. 1948, from the University of Mysore, in the matter.

4. An official Note No. 181, dated 11th Dec. 1948, from the Commissioner, in the matter.

ORDER No. E. 4757-842—R. & P. 25TH NOV. 1948

Government directs that in the case of appointments in Government service, the age limit be fixed at 40 years, as a General Rule, and that the same be given to candidates with lesser qualifications.

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